GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated number of diabetic patients in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether most of these diabetics belong to the poorer sections of society;

(c) whether diabetes is spreading at fast pace in the country;

(d) if so, whether the Government have chalked out a comprehensive plan to prevent it;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) the steps taken by the Government to create awareness about the disease in the country; (g) whether the price of insulin has been increasing regularly; (h) if so, the price of insulin that prevailed in the market, in 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995 and at present; (i) the extent of increase in the price of insulin during each of the last three years; (j) the reasons for such increase in the prices of insulin; and (k) the measures taken by the Government to make available insulin at reasonable and affordable price?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SH SHANMUGAM)

(a) to (k) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.